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SUBJECT: WELL-KNOWN CZECH ARTIST (PRIVATELY) WOULD LIKE TO DO
SOME BICENTENNIAL COLLAGES

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1. WELL-KNOWN CZECH ARTIST JIRI KOLAR, WHO HAD A ONE-MAN SHOW LAST YEAR AT THE GUGGENHEIM, HAS ASKED POST FOR A SERIES OF QUALITY REPRODUCTIONS OF HISTORIC AMERICAN ART, WHICH HE HOPES TO USE IN BUILDING A SERIES OF BICENTENNIAL COLLAGES.
2. ALTHOUGH AN INTERNATIONALLY KNOWN FIGURE, KOLAR IS NOT ALLOWED TO TRAVEL OR EXHIBIT IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA, AND PUBLICITY TO THIS PROJECT COULD HAVE NEGATIVE RESULTS.
3. ACTION REQUESTED: KOLAR PARTICULARLY FACINATED BY HUDSON RIVER SCHOOL AND ART OF THAT PERIOD. PLEASE SEND US APPROXIMATELY FOUR COPIES EACH OF SIX LARGE REPRINTS OF HUDSON RIVER SCHOOL ART, SOME NUMBER OF AMERICAN PRESIDENTIAL AND OTHER PORTRAITS; DITTO AMERICAN PRIMITIVES, AND AMERICAN INDIANS, THE SORT OF QUALITY REPRODUCTIONS AVAILABLE AT MUSAEUM SALES SHOPS AT NATIONAL, CORCRAN, OR NATIONAL PORTRAIT GALLERIES. ALSO, ONE OR TWO ILLUSTRATED BOOKS ON HUDSON RIVER SCHOOL.
4. MULTIPLE PRINT COPIES ARE REQUIRED, AS ARTISTS CURRRENT TECHNIQUE IS TO CREATE PRISMATIC EFFECT BY LAYERING THIN

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STRIPS FROM REPRODUCTIONS ON TOP OF EACH OTHER WITH SLIGHT

MOVEMENT OF EACH STRIP. HIS VERSION OF GILBERT STUART'S
GEORGE WASHINGTON HAS APPEARED IN NUMEROUS ART REVIEWS.
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